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SUBJECT: UNESCO :98 EXECUTIVE BOARD:INVITATIONS TO
INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS (AGENDA ITEM 5)

1. USDEL SHOULD CONFORM TO OUR PAST PRACTICE, AND SHOULD
ABSTAIN IN VOTE ON ANY BOARD RESOLUTION THAT INCLUDES
INVITATION TO THE PLO AND AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS
RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU.

2. IF ACTION IS TAKEN WITHOUT VOTE, USDEL SHOULD MAKE
EXPLANATORY REMARK STATING THAT HAD THERE BEEN A VOTE,
THE U. S. WOULD HAVE ABSTAINED. USDEL SHOULD STATE THAT
ITS POSITION IS BASED ON ITS SERIOUS AND WELL-KNOWN
RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE ADVISABILITY OF INVITING NATIONAL
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LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN TECHNICAL INTER-

NATIONAL MEETINGS OF THE NATURE OF THOSE UNDER CONSIDER-
ATION. WE WISH TO MAKE CLEAR THAT OUR ABSTENTION DOES NOT
SIGNIFY ANY CHANGE IN OUR POLICY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH
GROUPS AND MOVEMENTS. FYI: U. S. POSITION ON THE PLO
HAS ABSOLUTELY NOT RPT NOT CHANGED, AND USDEL SHOULD AVOID
ANY ACTION OR STATEMENT THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT IT
HAS CHANGED. END FYI. SISCO

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